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MEDIA ADVISORY

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20TH Annual Fleet Week New York Prepares to Ship Out

NEW YORK—As the 20th annual Fleet Week New York comes to a close, ships will begin to set sail tomorrow morning, May 30th.

Ships will start getting underway around 8:15 AM, beginning with USS Winston S. Churchill (DDG 81) from Stapleton Pier, Staten Island. Churchill will be followed by USS Oscar Austin (DDG 79), USS San Jacinto (CG 56), USS Stephen W. Groves (FFG 29) and USS Hue City (CG 66) at approximately half hour intervals.

USS Wasp (LHD 1) will begin departing Manhattan Pier 90 at approximately 10:15 AM.

Media covering ships departing Staten Island should be at Stapleton Pier no later than 7:30 AM.

Media covering USS Wasp's departure should be at Pier 90 by 9:30 AM.

Media covering ships' departures must contact Navy public affairs by 5:00 PM today: Cdr. Dan Bates, Manhattan Pier 90, 917-280-5327; Lt. Cdr. Steve Thompson, Stapleton Pier, 917-280-5335. Please provide names of all attending; outlet name; and vehicle make, model and license plate.